

The Chapel Family Bible Reading Program – January 23 - 28
Doing Life Together – Church Basics

MONDAY: Deuteronomy 4:35; Isaiah 41:4; John 1:7,8

KEY VERSE: Isaiah 43:10-11

OBSERVATION What is the purpose of the church? To be witnesses for God. It's in the Bible, Isaiah 43:10-11, NKJV. "You are My witnesses," says the LORD, " And My servant whom I have chosen, that you may know and believe Me, and understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, nor shall there be after Me. I, even I, am the LORD, and besides Me there is no savior." How is our church being a witness to our community of the love of Christ?

TUESDAY: Luke 2:32; Acts 13:47; Isaiah 27:3

KEY VERSE: Isaiah 42:6

OBSERVATION: What is the mission of the church? It's in the Bible, Isaiah 42:6-7, KJV. "I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house." In what ways are we bring hope, light and freedom to those who need it the most?

WEDNESDAY: John 9:7; Psalm 107:10; Isaiah 49:9

KEY VERSE: Isaiah 56:7

OBSERVATION: Who does God want to see in His church? Everyone. It's in the Bible, Isaiah 56:7, "Even them I will bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices Will be accepted on My altar; For My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations." Can you think of someone who is not like you that should have an opportunity to fellowship with us?

THURSDAY: Galatians 6:10; Philippians 3:20; 1 Peter 2:11

KEY VERSE: Ephesians 2:19-20

OBSERVATION: Christ is the cornerstone and foundation of the church. It's in the Bible, Ephesians 2:19-20, NKJV. "Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone" How can we find security from our foundation and our cornerstone?

FRIDAY: Ephesians 2:14; Colossians 3:11; John 7:37

KEY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 12:13

OBSERVATION: The church is the body of Christ. It's in the Bible, 1 Corinthians 12:13, TLB. "Each of us is a part of the one body of Christ. Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves and some are free. But the Holy Spirit has fitted us all together into one body. We have been baptized into Christ's body by the one Spirit, and have all been given that same Holy Spirit." In what ways does our community see us as one?

SATURDAY: Acts 2:42; Romans 13:12;

KEY VERSE: Hebrews 10:25

OBSERVATION: Church attendance is important for worship, support, and preparation for the last days. It's in the Bible, Hebrews 10:25, TLB. "Let us not neglect our church meetings, as some people do, but encourage and warn each other, especially now that the day of his coming back again is drawing near." The church is not about one person, but everyone joined together in Christ. It's in the Bible, Romans 12:5, NIV. "So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Each believer has a significant contribution to make. It's in the Bible, 1 Corinthians 12:27, NIV. "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."